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Attorney Docket No. 1757.0260001
First Inventor Ronald Joseph Vidal
Title Cable Installation
Express Mail Label No.

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 77]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the Invention
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- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table,
or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
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4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 52]

Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 1]

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(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)

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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR §§
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

5. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76.

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(Appendix)

8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
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a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)

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(when there is an assignee)

11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)

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Citations

13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment

14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)

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(claiming priority to U.S. Provisional Appl. No. 60/252,130;
filed: November 21, 2000)
Appl. No. (to be assigned); Filed: Herewith
For: **Cable Installation**
Inventors: Ronald Joseph Vidal *et al.*
Our Ref: 1757.0260001

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S.
Patent and Trademark Office:

1. USPTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form PTO/SB/05;
2. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

Cable Installation

and naming as inventors:

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the application comprising:

- a. specification containing:
 - i. 72 pages of description prior to the claims;
 - ii. 4 pages of claims (21 claims);
 - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
 - b. 52 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1, 2a, 2b, 3-53); and
 - c. an Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76).
3. 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time (in duplicate); and
4. Two (2) return postcards.

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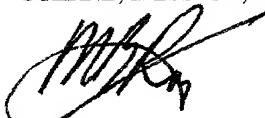
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